



SENATE RESOLUTION

MADAM PRESIDENT:

I offer the following resolution and move its adoption:

A SENATE RESOLUTION to memorialize Private Jesse M. Halling.

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling, 19, of Indianapolis, Indiana, was killed June 7, 2003, when the military police station where he was based in Tikrit, Iraq, came under grenade and small arms fire;

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling, a Ben Davis High School graduate, was a member of the 401st Military Police Company based at Fort Hood, Texas;

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling will be remembered for his bravery under fire and is credited with saving the lives of many of his fellow soldiers by ordering them to take cover while he remained at his post returning fire until he was hit by shrapnel;

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling was highly praised by his fellow soldiers for his actions during the battle;

Whereas, As a memorial to Private Jesse M. Halling, Navy Sea Cadets from Alaska plan to rename their unit after him, and a training island in the Tigress River also will be named in his honor;

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling was posthumously awarded the Bronze Star and Purple Heart for his heroic



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actions;

Whereas, While attending high school, Private Jesse M. Halling was a member of the weightlifting and Spanish clubs and participated in the school's ROTC unit;

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling was a dedicated student with a strong work ethic and an equally strong desire to help the needy and protect the defenseless;

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling had dreamed of being in the military since age five;

Whereas, Upon graduation from Ben Davis High School in 2002, Private Jesse M. Halling joined the Army in the military police division; and

Whereas, Private Jesse M. Halling chose to dedicate his life to the fight for freedom and, like other fallen heroes, will be remembered forever for his sacrifice: Therefore,

> Be it resolved by the Senate of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana Senate wishes to express its sincere gratitude to Private Jesse M. Halling for the sacrifice he made to help ensure that the citizens of Indiana and the United States will remain free and to express our heartfelt sympathy to his family in their darkest hour.

SECTION 2. That copies of this resolution be transmitted by the Secretary of the Senate to the family of Private Jesse M. Halling: His father Alma, his mother Pamela, and his sister Kristina.



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